

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND)

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Project Title: SAN BERNARDINO CNG FUELING STATION

State Clearinghouse Number: Not yet assigned

Project Location:

The proposed project is located on Central Avenue, just west of its intersection with Tippecanoe Avenue (APN: 0280-091-27-0-000, approximately 6.4 acres). The site is located in Section 14, Township 1S, Range 4W, San Bernardino Base and Meridian. The Latitude and Longitude for the project site is: 34°5'12.31" N and 117°15'43.32" W, respectively.

Project Description:

Clean Energy has applied for a Conditional Use Permit to establish and operate a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) vehicle fueling station which the Company terms a "Green Truck Launchpad Facility (Facility)." The purpose of Facility is to facilitate decrease in greenhouse gas emissions through ongoing efforts to replace existing diesel fleet trucks with Green Trucks (trucks that utilize low carbon Renewable Natural Gas (RNG)). These will be commercial fleet vehicles, with dedicated time-fill for a contracted commercial fleet customer and fast-fill dispensers for other commercial vehicles. The station will be open to vehicles owned by third party commercial customers, but this is not the primary purpose of the Facility. Clean Energy does not own or rent vehicles and this site will not function as a "truck transportation yard" because it does not include servicing or maintaining trucks. Trucks will be parked at the proposed Facility for fueling purposes only. The car parking spaces are intended for the truck drivers to park personal vehicles during working hours.

The fueling station will consist of up to four (4, 2 initially) "fast-fill" CNG dispensers and 153 (Phase 1) Truck Time-Fill Parking Spaces. At a general descriptive level the following facilities will be installed: the vehicle fast-fill CNG dispensing station; associated control equipment pads; interconnecting piping; electrical and safety systems; modular fueling canopy; three CNG storage vessels and concrete pad; 2 dryers; 4 compressors; switch gear and transformer; 153 truck time-fill parking spaces (Phase 1) (asphalt parking area); 151 regular parking spaces (Phase 1); 6-foot chain length fence surrounding the property; three gates (two on Central for routine access) and one on Tippecanoe for emergency access); two bioretention basins to capture onsite storm water runoff; and landscaping.

Finding:

The City's decision to implement this proposed project is a discretionary decision or "project" that requires evaluation under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on the information in the project Initial Study, the District has made a *preliminary* determination that a Mitigated Negative Declaration will be the appropriate environmental determination for this project to comply with CEQA.

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Initial Study:

A copy of the Initial Study and all other material which constitutes the record of proceedings upon which the City based its decision to adopt this MND may be obtained at City of San Bernardino, Community Development Department at 201 North "E" Street, San Bernardino, CA 92401 or available for download on the City's website at http://sbcity.org/cityhall/community_n_economic_development/planning/environmental_documents.asp

The CEQA-required public review period of the Initial Study/MND begins April 5, 2022 and ends on April 25, 2022 (20-days). Written comments on the Initial Study should be submitted to Michael Rosales at the mailing address listed above no later than 5:00 PM on April 25, 2022. Mr. Rosales may be contacted at Rosales_Mi@sbcity.org or (909) 384-7272.

Mitigation Measures:

All mitigation measures identified in the Initial Study are summarized on pages 78-81 and are proposed for adoption as conditions of the project. These measures will be implemented through a mitigation monitoring and reporting program if the MND is adopted.

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